

# State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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## Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program June 30, 2011

Reviewed:

Mine Name: Bromide Basin	Permit Number: S0170031 Inspection Date: June 21, 2011 Time: 10:40 am – 12:10 PM Mine Status: Active		
Operator Name: Bromide Mining LLC			
Inspector(s): Wayne Western			
Other Participants: Sue Fivecoat (BLM), Shane Scott (Permitteee)			

	Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds			
2.	Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)			
3.	Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$	
4.	Deleterious Material			
5.	Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)			
6.	Concurrent Reclamation			
7.	Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)			
8.	Water Impoundments			
9.	Soils			
10.	Re-vegetation			
11.	Air Quality			
12.	Other			

#### **Purpose of Inspection:**

This inspection was a regularly scheduled inspection that was also conducted as part of a citizen's complaint.

#### **Inspection Summary:**

The Permittee is current with their fees. The bond amount is \$25,000 and is due for renewal on July 15, 2012.

The Permittee is conducting drilling operations within the permit boundaries. Due to road conditions the upper areas of Bromide Basin that include exploration areas were inaccessible. The Division and the BLM agreed to visit the site later in the field season with AVT to inspect those areas.

The Permittee had drilled thirteen holes although they were only authorized to drill ten holes. All but one on the holes had been plugged. The unplugged hole had a stuck drill rod. The Division informed Shane Scott that the Permittee was only authorized to have ten bonded holes. The Permittee can apply for bond release on any hole after the hole has been plugged.

The portals were gated. There are no highwalls at the mine. However the portal face up areas are steep and there is the potential for rock fall.

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There was a significant amount of runoff due to unusually high precipitation. Some of the runoff was flowing on the roads. The Permittee must make sure that the road ditches are in good repair once the runoff subsides.

The Division was unable to photograph the plugged holes because of battery failure with the camera.

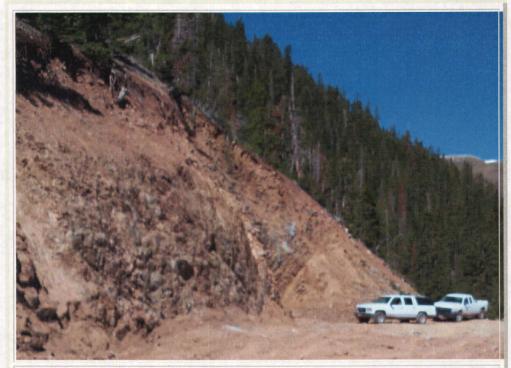
### **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

The Division should visit the site later in the season and document disturbances in the upper areas of Bromide Basin that are either associated with the mine or exploration project.

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Portal face up area.